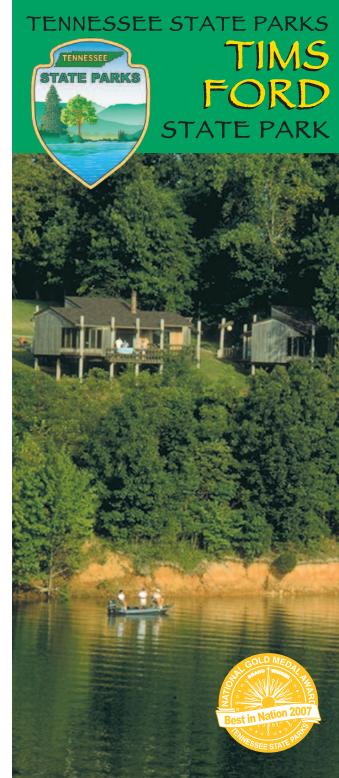


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# Tims Ford State Park

was established in 1978 on 2,500 acres of land aquired through the Tims Ford Reservior development. Named for an early river crossing, the park is noted for scenic views, natural surroundings and biologically significant wildlife habitats. It includes campgrounds and cabins, along with several areas where visitors can relax on the lake fishing, skiing or boating. The visitor can also spend the day at the swimming pool, hiking or biking on the park trails, or enjoy a picnic lunch in the park's public use areas. Visitors will enjoy viewing whitetail deer, wild turkey, songbirds, and many other animals common to the middle Tennessee area.

## Cabins

Tims Ford State Park has 20 AAA cabins, open yearround, located on the bluffs overlooking Tims Ford Lake. The cabins have two bedrooms with two double beds and will sleep 8 people. Each has a full kitchen with modern appliances, a full bath with showers. There is a living area with a gas log fireplace, and decks off of each room overlooking the lake. Pet cabins are available.

Meeting Rooms

Tims Ford has a Recreation Building, with two meeting rooms available for rent. The small meeting room can accommodate 40 people and the large meeting room can accommodate 75 people. For reservation information, call (800) 471-5295.

## Restaurant and Resort

The Blue Gill Grill is a full-service restaurant located at the Holiday Landing Resort and Marina. The resort also has 5 cabins and 5 motel rooms. For additional information, call (931) 455-3151.

Gift Shop
There is a small gift shop at the Visitors' Center that includes souvenirs, nature guides and maps.

Camping
There are two campgrounds at the park:

Tims Ford Campground located inside the main park area, is open year round. It offers 52 RV or tent campsites, each with water and 30 amp electric hookups, picnic tables and fire rings. Bathhouses with cold/hot showers, and a sewage disposal station are centrally

Fairview Campground, eight miles from the main park area on Hwy 50 toward Winchester, is open April through October. It is located on the lake, has 88 campsites; 30 RV sites with water, 30 amp electrical and sewage hookups that may be rented seasonally, 35 RV or tent sites with water and 30 amp electricity, and 23 tent sites with water. The campground has a bathhouse with cold/hot showers and a central sewage disposal station.

Campsites are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Reservations are not taken. For more information call (800) 471-5295.

Fishing

Tims Ford Lake provides year-round fishing opportunities for anglers. It is known for Smallmouth and Striped Bass, but an angler could expect to catch Largemouth Bass, Crappie, Catfish, and Bluegill. Bait and a cleaning station available at Lakeview Marina.

Picnic Pavilions and Playgrounds

There are two Picnic Pavilions that can be reserved that will accommodate up to fifty people. The park has several public use areas around the lake that provide the opportunity for family picnics.

There is also a recreational complex that provides visitors with volleyball, basketball, and horseshoes, and equipment rental. Playgrounds are located at the recreational complex and in the picnic area.

Boating

Tims Ford State Park manages seven public boat ramps and leases two marinas, providing ample access to Tims Ford Lake:

Lakeview Marina, located within the main park area, provides pontoon boat and Jon-boat rentals, fishing bait, camp supplies, and marine gas. For information call (931) 967-6711.

Holiday Landing Resort and Marina offers a full service marina with slip rentals, gas, and pontoon boat rentals. For information call (931) 455-3151.

### Trails

Tims Ford State Park has over 12 miles of trails, including paved hiking and biking trails that connect all major areas of the park:

Marble Plains Trail, 1.1 miles, easy, is a handicapaccessible paved path winding through trees and field grass areas toward the old Marble Plains Church, ending at an overlook of Tims Ford Lake.

Wildflower Trail, .3 mile, easy to moderate, provides visitors with a look at some of the park's wildflowers. A wildflower list and teacher's guide describing nature topics covered at numbered stops is available through the Visitor Center.

Shoreline Trail, 3.1 miles, easy to moderate, begins at the Marble Plains Trail overlook and follows the shoreline along Ray's Branch of Tims Ford Lake.

Bicucle Trail, 4.4 miles, with several access points, is an easy to moderate paved path, appropriate for walking and biking, winding through wooded coves to scenic Weaver's Point peninsula.

Old Spann House Trail, 3 miles, easy to moderate, provides a leisurely walk through hardwood forest to the historic home site of the Spann family. Trail head is located at the Park Visitor Center.

Planned Programs

Tims Ford schedules weekly interpretative and recreational programs on native plants, wildlife, and local history from Memorial Day through Labor Day weekends. Special programs may be arranged year-round through the Visitor Center.

Swimming

An Olympic-size pool is open from Memorial Day weekend until early to mid-August. Lifeguards are on duty.





#### Golf Course

The park features a challenging 18-hole Jack Nicholas signature golf course featuring several holes with scenic views of Tims Ford Lake. For information and tee times call (931) 968-0995.

### Nearby Attractions

- Historic Winchester, 10 miles
- Historic Lynchburg, 10 miles
- Jack Daniels Distillery, Lynchburg, 10 miles

# Other Nearby State Parks

- South Cumberland State Recreation Area, 35 miles
- Old Stone Fort State Archeological Park, 25 miles

#### Annual Events

- Dogwood Festival, Winchester, April
- High on the Hog Bar-B-Que Cook-off, Winchester, April
- Frontier Days; Lynchburg, June
- Polly Crockett Festival, Cowan, September
- Shade Tree Pickin' in the Park, 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in October.
- Jack Daniels Bar-B-Que Cook-off, Lynchburg, 3rd weekend in October.